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Dear Tom

I am writing in support of Mr. Joe Berg for inclusion on the Science Advisory Board Panel on Connectivity of Streams and Wetlands to Downstream Waters. Joe has been tireless in evaluating opportunities for integrating stream, wetland, riparian and floodplain systems to improve the restoration and management of our urban watershed drainage. This has included collaborative development of innovative engineering and restoration techniques, and numerous efforts to engage the scientific, restoration, engineering and regulatory communities in open evaluation and discussion of these practices. He is actively involved in this field on a daily basis and brings a great passion and environmental ethic when conducting the ecological restoration work he is involved with. He is committed to pursuing appropriate research to advance the field of restoration to achieve better ecological and more cost effective outcomes. In addition, he brings a real practicality to the process, with an understanding of the constraints that limited resources and data can impose and balancing those constraints with the need for broader implementation to achieve resource recovery and restoration.

I am confident that he will add great value to the panel and bring an important perspective to the dialogue.

Regards, Ted Brown

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